

# COMPLETE TREATMENT F1, F2, F3, F4 APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE TYPE I (LEVELS 1-4) MUNICIPAL DRINKING WATER CERTIFICATION EXAMS

## APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED NO LATER THAN 60 DAYS PRIOR TO THE EXAMINATION. A COMPLETE LIST OF EXAM DATES AND POST MARK DEADLINES IS AVAILABLE AT Michigan.gov/EGLEOperatorTraining

(Listed under the Resources Tab, click on "Exam Applications and Study Guides")

LATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

#### NOTE:

The United States Postal Service postmark or a postmark from an independent delivery service (UPS, Federal Express) will be used to verify that the application has met the deadline for submission. Postmarks by private meter stamps (such as Pitney Bowes) cannot be used as proof of meeting the deadline. **DO NOT wait until the deadline date to apply.** 

Applicants must complete the application with the required signatures. Signatures must be original and authentic. **Faxed, emailed, or copied exam applications WILL NOT be accepted.** 

## Incomplete applications will be denied.

## **DRINKING WATER EXAM LOCATIONS:**

On the application, please indicate the preferred location of examination and two alternate choices. Applicants will be assigned to the location/region requested on a first come, first serve basis. Some exam sites have limited seating and reassignments may be necessary.

## **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING EXAM APPLICATIONS:**

- Page 1: Fill out contact information completely, indicate any related certifications held, and circle the classification level(s) you wish to take. Prior approvals, as defined on page 1 of the application, only need to submit the first page of the application.
- Page 2: Fill out the education information completely. If you completed college, indicate your major, degree received, and year completed.
- Pages 3-5: Fill out a separate position description page for each position held that is related to drinking water. This page must be completed in its entirety. Indicate the specific dates that the drinking water related work has been performed even if these dates differ from your date of hire. The job categories, percentage worked, detailed narrative of your routine job duties, and supervisor signature must be included. Leaving any portion of the position description page(s) blank will result in the experience not being counted, which could result in a denial of application. A detailed narrative includes an explanation of your routine duties relative to the job category boxes you checked off. Stating "I do it all," or "I do everything above," is not sufficient.

Use the narrative space to detail your experience in complete treatment for potable water only. Treatment experience does not count towards distribution system experience and vice versa. **Leaving the narrative blank will result in an automatic denial.** Keep in mind, it is not possible to work 100 percent in complete treatment and 100 percent in distribution.

DO NOT INCLUDE THIS PAGE WITH YOUR SUBMITTED APPLICATION

## **Instructions for Payment of Examination Fees**

The fees for complete treatment drinking water certification exams are:

- F1, F2, F3, or F4 \$70.00 per exam (Make checks payable to: State of Michigan)
- Payment by credit card is now accepted online at the following website: www.thepayplace.com/mi/deq/trainandcertify

A separate examination fee is required for all examinations an individual applies for, and payment is due upon submission of the application. Applicants <u>WILL NOT</u> be allowed to write an exam unless fees have been received by the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE).

A certified operator will not be allowed to write an examination for a certification that they currently hold.

No refunds will be given for any reason (such as denials, cancellations, no shows, etc.)

## COMPLETED APPLICATIONS, WITH ORIGINAL SIGNATURE AND FEE PAYMENT/ CREDIT CARD RECEIPT, MUST BE MAILED TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING ADDRESSES DEPENDENT ON PAYMENT TYPE.

When paying online, please mail a copy of the payment receipt, the ORIGINAL application, and all documentation to the address below.

DO NOT MAIL CHECKS
TO THIS ADDRESS

EGLE
Drinking Water and
Environmental Health Division
Operator Training and
Certification Unit
P.O. BOX 30817
Lansing, Michigan 48909-8311

To pay by check, please mail this application, all documentation, and appropriate fees to the address below.

Make checks Payable to: State of Michigan

EGLE
Office of Financial Management
Revenue Control/Cashier's Office
P.O. BOX 30657
Lansing, Michigan 48909-8157

For overnight or express delivery, please send check, application, and all documentation to the address below.

Make checks payable to: State of Michigan

MDOT Accounting Service Center 425 West Ottawa Street Lansing, Michigan 48933

## FAXED, COPIED, OR EMAILED APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

ADDITIONAL APPLICATIONS MAY BE DOWNLOADED AT Michigan.gov/EGLEOperatorTraining

To request an acknowledgment from EGLE of **receipt of your application**, enclose a **SELF-ADDRESSED**, **STAMPED POSTCARD** with your application. We will date stamp the card and mail it back to you. This does not indicate acceptance to the examination, only receipt of your application.

ALL APPLICANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED OF ACCEPTANCE OR DENIAL OF THE WRITTEN EXAMINATION NO FEWER THAN 15 DAYS BEFORE THE DATE OF THE EXAMINATION

DO NOT INCLUDE THIS PAGE WITH YOUR SUBMITTED APPLICATION



Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy Drinking Water and Environmental Health Division

## **APPLICATION FOR COMPLETE TREATMENT CERTIFICATION**

This information is required by authority of the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act, 1976 PA 399, as amended.

**GENERAL INFORMATION** – Provide complete information on education and experience. *Sign the application on page 1*. Either your immediate supervisor or the water system's operator in charge must verify your experience and sign where indicated.

To be accepted, this application, with your original signature, must be received by EGLE no fewer than 60 days prior to the announced examination date. Faxed or electronic copies WILL NOT be accepted.

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To find the Educational Points Required to Write a Complete Treatment Exam and/or to find the Points Given for Formal Education, go to Michigan.gov/EGLEOperatorTraining or call 517-284-5424.

PROVIDE YOUR EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS BELOW	
NAME AND LOCATION OF HIGH SCHOOL OR GED EQUIVALENT:	
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#### **DIRECTIONS FOR COMPLETING PAGES 3-5 OF THIS APPLICATION**

COMPLETE TREATMENT SYSTEM – Provide **ONLY** job duties that you routinely perform while working in a drinking water COMPLETE TREATMENT system. **DO NOT** check off or describe job duties for work activities that you have performed only once or twice or that you perform infrequently. **DO NOT** check off or describe work activities associated with positions or duties you have performed only in a DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM, LIMITED TREATMENT, or WASTEWATER TREATMENT system. Beginning with your current job (job position #1), work backwards listing previous COMPLETE TREATMENT system positions that you believe qualify you for operation experience in a drinking water COMPLETE TREATMENT system. If you held various positions with the same employer that had different duties or different levels of responsibility, list them as separate job positions. An example of this would be a promotion from general worker to foreman or from foreman to supervisor. For each POSITION, fully describe your job duties in the space provided for job positions 1 and/or 2 and/or 3. Attach additional sheets if you need more space or if you have experience in more than three job positions. Label them as job position 4, 5, etc. There are six drinking water COMPLETE TREATMENT system operation job categories. Each job category is divided into specific job duties. Beginning on Page 3, place an "X" next to the activities that you **ROUTINELY** perform. Applicants performing a majority of activities within a category are credited with a full job category. Applicants **ROUTINELY** performing at least one of the activities, but fewer than the majority, within a category are credited with half a category. **TWO OR MORE** half categories equal **ONE** full category.

**SUPERVISORS**: If you **DO NOT ROUTINELY** perform the job duties listed and are not a FIRST LINE SUPERVISOR directly overseeing operations in the COMPLETE TREATMENT system, **DO NOT CHECK OFF ANY BOXES**. Instead, fully describe your job duties in the space provided **AND** attach copies of both your position description and your water utility or company organizational chart.

## **COMPLETE TREATMENT SYSTEM EXPERIENCE REQUIREMENTS**

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3	1	F-2	higher.  F-2 - 30 Points plus: Work in three or more full categories for at least one year AND 15 months of operating	
2	1/2	F-3	experience in a F-3 system or higher.  F-3 - 15 Points plus: Work in two or more full categories for	
1	1/2	F-4	one year. F-4 - 3 Points	
			* Experience points awarded from "allied fields" or "education allowed as experience" may be counted as one additional full category. To find out more, go to <a href="Michigan.gov/EGLEOperatorTraining.">Michigan.gov/EGLEOperatorTraining.</a> or call 517-284-5424.	

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## PRINT THIS PAGE FOR YOUR RECORDS ONLY DO NOT mail a copy to EGLE with your application

## Authority Governing the Certification of Water Works Personnel in Accordance with State Law and Administrative Rules

(Excerpts from the Act and Rules as Amended 12/4/2009)

SAFE DRINKING WATER ACT - 1976 PA 399, as amended

An Act to protect the public health; to provide for supervision and control over public water supplies; to prescribe the powers and duties of the department of environmental quality; to provide for the submission of plans and specifications for waterworks systems and the issuance of construction permits therefore; to provide for the capacity assessments and source water assessments of public water supplies: to provide for the classification of public water supplies and the examination, certification and regulation of persons operating those systems: to provide for continuous, adequate operation of privately owned, public water supplies; to authorize the promulgation of rules to carry out the intent of the act; to create the water supply fund; to provide for the administration of the water supply fund; and to provide penalties.

- Sec. 9 (1) The department shall classify public water supplies, including water treatment and distribution systems at community supplies with regard to size, type, location, and other physical conditions for the purpose of establishing the skill, knowledge, and experience that individuals need to maintain and operate the systems effectively.
- (4) For individuals meeting the requirements, the department shall issue certificates acknowledging their competency to operate a specified class of waterworks system or portion of waterworks system. The department may suspend or revoke a certificate as specified by rule.
  - (5) A public water supply shall be under the supervision of a properly certified operator as specified in the rules.

#### THE RULES TO IMPLEMENT ACT NO. 399, P.A. 1976 - R 325.10101 TO R 325.12606

**DEFINITIONS FROM RULE 103.** 

- (d) "Certificate" means a document that is issued by the department to a person who meets the qualification requirements for operating a waterworks system or a portion of the waterworks system.
- (e) "Certified operator" means an operator who holds a certificate.

#### **CLASSIFICATION OF TREATMENT AND DISTRIBUTION SYSTEMS**

CLASS	POPULATION	DESIGN CAPACITY
Complete Treatment		
F-1	Greater than 20,000	Greater than 5 MGD
F-2	4,000 to 20,000	2 to 5 MGD
F-3	1,000 to 4,000	0.5 to 2 MGD
F-4	Less than 1,000	Less than 0.5 MGD
Other Treatment		
D-1	Greater than 20,000	Greater than 5 MGD
D-2	4,000 to 20,000	2 to 5 MGD
D-3	1,000 to 4,000	0.5 to 2 MGD
D-4	Less than 1,000	Less than 0.5 MGD
Distribution		
S-1	Greater than 20,000	
S-2	4,000 to 20,000	
S-3	1,000 to 4,000	
S-4	Less than 1,000	

## R 325.11910. APPLICATION FOR EXAMINATION; NOTICE TO ACCEPTED APPLICANTS OF EXAMINATION.

Rule 1910. (1) To be certified for the operation of a public water supply other than a class F-5, Class D-5, or Class S-5, an individual shall submit to the department, not less than 60 days before the announced examination date, an application for examination on a form provided by the department. To be certified for the operation of a class F-5, class D-5, or class S-5 an individual shall submit, to the department, not less than 20 days before the examination date, an application for examination on a form provided by the department. The information contained on the application shall be evaluated by the department, shall be subject to review by the advisory board, and shall constitute a part of the examination. The department may require verification of the education and experience of an applicant for an examination.

(2) Not less than 15 days before the examination, the department shall notify all applicants of its findings and shall notify those applicants accepted for examination of the date, time, and place of the examination.

## R 325.11911. APPLICANT FOR CERTIFICATION; GRADING.

- An applicant for certification shall be graded in four major divisions as follows: Rule 1911. (1)
  - Educational qualifications of the applicant. (a)
  - (b) Experience qualifications of the applicant, where applicable.
  - The examination. (c)
  - The laboratory examination, where applicable. (d)
- An applicant shall satisfy the minimum criteria established by the department as outlined in table 1 for educational qualifications before admission to the examination.
- Criteria used for grading shall be determined by the department subject to the approval of the advisory board and shall be made available by the department.
- (4) An applicant for certification may be required to submit, to the department, on request, names of persons familiar with the experience qualifications of the applicant.